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CREATION.

Question.

Who made thee?

Answer.

a God.

Q. What is God?

A. He is b Almighty.

He is c maker and

d governour of all

things.

Q. Wherefore did he make thee?

A. c To serue him.

Q. How oughtest thou to serue him?

A. f As he hath appointed in his lawes.

Q. Which be they?

A. g God spake all these words, and
saith, Thou shalt have none other Gods
before me, &c.

Q. Canst thou fulfill all these Com-
mandments without breaking any
one of them?

A. No though I doe all that I can,
yet I breake them every daye. In h
thought.

a Isay 44.

Plal. 139.

13. 14. 15.

b Ge. 17.

Iere. 32.

18. 19.

c Gen. 24.

6.

Isay 44. 24.

d Iere. 10.

23.

Pro. 21. 30.

31.

e Deut. 10.

12.

Iosh. 12.

f Deut. 10.

32.

Plal. 119.

Of the

Law.

g Exod. 20.

Deut. 5.

h Math. 5.

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Rom. 7.
18, 19.

thought, word, and deed.

Q. What punishment is there appointed for the breach of these Commandments?

Deut. 27.
26.
Math. 27.
42.

A. The curse of God, which is eternal destruction both of body and soule.

Redemption

Gal. 3.
13.
Col. 2. 14.
15.

Q. By what meanes then shalt thou escape this punishment?

A. Onely by Iesus Christ.

Mat. 17. 5.
Heb. 1. 3. 4.
Phil. 2. 8.
Heb. 5. 7.
9. 9.

Q. What is Iesus Christ?

A. He is the eternall Son of God.

Q. What hath he done for thee?

A. He hath suffered the torments of death for me.

Rom. 9. 5.
1 Tim. 2. 6.
Phil. 2.

Q. Christ Iesus was God, and how then could he dye?

A. Christ Iesus was both a God and a man. and in that he was God, hee could not dye. but being man, he died for my finnes, and rose againe to make us righteous.

1 Joh. 3. 18.
1 Act. 13.
3.
Eph. 3. 14.
1 Joh. 2. 5. 7.

Q. Are all men then saved by his death?

A. No, none are saved, but such as lay hold on him by true faith.

Q. What is a lively faith?

A. A lively faith is a full perswasion.

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an of my heart, grounded upon the
promises of GOD: that whatsoever
Christ hath done for the salvation of
man, he hath done it as well for mee
as for any others.

Q. Where is the sum of your faith?
A. In the Creed: I beleve in God the
Father &c.

Sanctification.

Q. How comest thou by this faith?
A. The Holy Ghost doth work it with
his word in my heart, by the outward
preaching of his word.

Q. How is that faith increased and
made strong in us?

A. By hearing the same word pre-
ached and using the Sacraments.

Q. What be Sacraments?

A. Sacraments be outward signs
ordained of God, and are left as a seal
and pledges of those benefits of our sal-
vation which were received in Christ to
strengthen our faith.

Q. How many Sacraments be there?

A. Two, Baptisme and the Lords
Supper.

Q. What profit hast thou by Bap-

Act. 15. 9.
Rom. 4.
18. 21.
heb. 11. 11.
Ioh. 20.
28.
Gal. 2. 30.
Of Prea-
ching.

Acts 10.
14.
Ioh. 6. 45.
Rom. 10.
14. 17.
Acts 11. 14.
2 Thes.
1. 3.
1 Thes. 4. 13.
Of the
Sacra-
ments.
Gen. 17.
11.
Exod. 12.
13.
Rom. 4. 11.
1 Cor. 10.
10. 17.
1 Cor. 10.
1. 2. 3. 4.

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2 Acts 22.

26. & 23.

1 Eph. 1.7.

1 Pet. 1.2.

1 Heb. 10.

12.

Acts 15.9.

1 Math. 26.

26, 27.

1 Cor. 11.

23, 24, 25.

1 Cor. 1.

30.

2 Cor. 5.21

1 R. m. 4. 1

Eph. 1.13.

1 Cor. 11.

12.

2 Cor. 13.5

1 Thes. 5.

15.

1 Cor. 16.

13.

1 Math. 26.

75.

2 Cor. 7.9.

10.

1 Psal. 51.

17.

Rom. 7.24.

1 Mat. 24.

1. 6. 12. 14.

A. I beleeeve that by Baptisme my finnes are forgiven me; for as the wa-
ter doth wash the filth of my body: so I
beleeeve that the blood of Christ being
sprinkled upon my soule by the e hand
of faith, doth wash me from all my
finnes.

Q. What profit hast thou by the use of
the Lords supper?

A. As I receiue the bread and wine
into my body to become wholly mine: so
I beleeeve that my soule receiveth with
all Christ Iesus with his death and
righteousnesse to the h sealing up of my
everlasting salvation.

Q. Seeing that they which receiue these
mysteries unworthily, eate and drinke
their owne condemnation; how ought
test thou to prepare thy selfe to the
right receiuing of them?

A. First I must examine my selfe
whether I stand strongly in the true
faith of Iesus Christ or no.

Secondly, whether I finde my heart
inwardly grieved for my finnes, with
an hatred and loathing of the same.

Thirdly, if any offence be betwixt
others and me, that I reconcile my
selfe

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felfe unto them, and o forgive them Mar. 8. 28
 ven as Chrift hath forgiven me.

Q. Is not prayer a speciall meanes to Col. 3. 12.
 increase our faith?

A. Yea it is a p speciall helpe. 13. Of praier

Q. How oughtest thou then to pray?

A. Only q to God in the name of Iesus p Acts 4. 29
 Chrift. 31.

Q. What forme of prayer usest thou Luke 87. 5.
 most? q Iohn 16.

A. That which the r Lord Iesus James 8. 7.
 taught his Apostles. Mar. 6. 9.

Q. What is that? Luke 88. 2.

A. Our Father which art in heaven, &c.

Q. How understandest thou this prayer?

A. This prayer containeth five petition-
 ons: whereof the first three are appoi-
 nted onely to Gods glory: the other three
 belong unto us, wherein we aske things
 necessary both for soule and body.

Finis.

Open our eyes, O Lord, that we may
 see the wondrous things of the law
 that by them as by a glasse wee may see
 our owne weaknesse, and by our weak-
 nesse our wickednesse, and by them both
 our accusednesse: then canst thy sweet

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comforts and consolations contained in
thy Gospell, to shine into our soules, by
a true and a lively faith in Christ Jesus:
beseeching thee that our dry and thorne
hearts may by the sweet dewes and show-
ers of thy heavenly Spirit, be moisten-
ed and softened, that as good ground
they may ever bee yeelding forth good
fruit, to the glorifying of thy name, to
the suppressing of sinne, and increasing of
verue, through Christ our Saviour. A-
men.



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